

BiblioFiles Extra

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Make your home computer act as though it's on campus.

Install VPN (Virtual Private Network) software on your off-campus computer and you'll be able to access research databases and the on-campus network as if you were sitting in the library. Visit www.lakeforest.edu/vpn

Richard Bess has joined us as a Programmer/Analyst. He had previously worked as a programmer for Johnson & Quin, Inc., Sebis Direct, and at the Moody Bible Institute. In his position at Lake Forest College, Richard will be providing support for users of Jenzabar, the database that tracks all campus data.



Really Fast: Beginning in January, most books borrowed from other I-Share libraries will arrive within 24 hours during the week!

Can't print? The most common reason for printing failures is a lack of funds. Add money to your account at the Reference Desk or the Business Office. Any money you add will carry over to next term. You will also receive 300 print credits when classes start again in the spring.



Kenneth Finch '07 has joined our staff as a Hardware Support Specialist. Kenneth worked for LIT while he was a student here, so we're thrilled to have him back in the fold. Kenneth has worked for Apple attaining certification as an "Apple Genius." Many College Mac users have already benefited from Kenneth's expertise.



Tech Tip: "My Internet doesn't work, and my phone doesn't work." The answer, from Kevin Pruim at the Help Desk: "Switch ports."

Embarrassing Questions Answered

Where are the books? (Downstairs)
How do I look up a book? (Search in the library catalog.*)
How do I find this book? (Ask at the main desk. We will be glad to help you!*)
Why can't I find my textbook in the library? (The library does not generally purchase textbooks.)

*Come to the main desk in the library for complete answers — don't be afraid to ask!

Familiar Faces: Plaques of retired tenured faculty from the past 50 years now line the walls of the Reference area.

"A reader wanted to know slang, roguish, and vulgar definitions for a set of words that appeared in some 17th century poetry. I called the Rare Books & Manuscripts library at the University of Illinois and asked the librarian to read the definitions to me over the phone — she had to whisper some of the answers because she was at a public desk. A merrie time was had by all! — *Cory Stevens, Reference Librarian, Head of Public Services*

The way it was: 150 years ago the College was first imagined where North and Middle Campus are today. Original maps showing this vision within the 1857 street plan are on display on the lower level of the library through January.

Ask and ye shall receive. "A faculty member wanted her students' Moodle forum postings all to appear on one page. We found that having students reply in a single topic would accomplish this." — *David Levinson, Systems Librarian and Academic Technology Specialist*

"Students think of me as an 'Easy Button'

when it comes to finding facts about the history of the College, because I've been here since before some of their parents were born. But most of the time I turn to the index of *30 Miles North*, the book I co-authored for the purpose of gathering such facts together in one volume." — *Arthur Miller, Archivist and Special Collections Librarian*
30 Miles North is on Reserve at the Circulation Desk.

What are you reading? Susan Cloud: *Rainbow Six* by Tom Clancy • Jim Cubit: *Steve Goodman: Facing the Music* by Clay Eals • Carmen Ifkovits: *True Adventures of the Kelly Gang* by Peter Carey • Eileen Karsten: *Females and Harry Potter: Not All That Empowering* by Ruthann Mayes-Elma • David Levinson: *Decreation: Poetry, Essays, Opera* by Anne Carson • Don Martin: *The Discovery and Conquest of Mexico, 1517-1521* by Bernal Díaz del Castillo • Ruth Prpich: *When Languages Die* by K. David Harrison; *The Byzantines* by Averil Cameron • Alie Stansbury: *New Moon* by Stephenie Meyer • Cory Stevens: *Then We Came to the End* by Joshua Ferris • Nancy Sosna Bohm: *Beginning Joomla* by Dan Rahmel